

Minutes
Sellindge Bowls Club
Committee Meeting
Held at Sellindge Bowls Pavilion
On Monday 4th March 2025

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th September 2024 confirmed as a true copy by Chairman.

Present:

Trevor Oliver-Jones Rosemary Atkins Lawrence Harvey Kevin Gipson Teresa Oliver-Jones Denise Hanson Joyce Groom Jacky Antin John Collins Debbie Anderson Shelly Sheppard

Apologies:

Christina Sandy

Chairman`s Report-Trevor

Trevor welcomed the committee to our first meeting of 2025 and acknowledged Shelly's first attendance.

He referred to the meeting he attended last week hosted by Bowls England at the IBC at Sittingbourne. Briefly laid out the purpose of the meet and will be forwarding the notes received after the meet took place. The main topic being Safeguarding, affiliation fees, and recruitment with the support they offer.

Vice Chairman/Coach Rosemary

A meeting of the coaches will take place before signing on day laying out the plans for 2025 and how the Sunday morning coaching sessions will take shape during May.

Secretary. Teresa

Advised that an article will be published in the Brabourne and Smeeth Village News in April hoping to encourage new members.

Treasurer-Lawrence

Accounts attached. Assets at very similar level as last year.

Captain Christina

In her absence Kevin reported how pleased Christina is to be welcoming Shelly in her new role as Vice-Captain.

Vice Captains Kevin & Shelly

Nothing to report until season restarts.

Fixtures Secretary Denise

A discussion took re finding a replacement for Denise as this will be her last year in this role. A letter will be sent to all club members asking for a volunteer to take over this role.

Shepway Reps John & Debbie

There has been a Shepway meeting to discuss the Rose Bowl Wood Cup competitions. It would seem the lady's competition The Rose Bowls works very well and is a good day. Sadly, the Men's competition The Woods Cup is not attended so well due to some clubs preferring other competitions and withdrawing from this one at the last minute. This still must be resolved by the Shepway committee. We agreed with the committee members who take part in the Woods Cup who would prefer it be Triples rather than a Rinks competition, over half a day rather than a full day, and that the clubs that apply to take part do not withdraw.

Competitions Secretary-John Collins

John will put on the same competitions as last year but will have a re-thing about Finals Day as this seems to be a long-drawn-out day. A suggestion has been made to include the Triples competition finalists, which would result in more members playing.

Catering Officer-Jacky.

Jacky confirmed the organisation for the Supper - Quiz evening on the 14th of March is going well.

Maintenance

In the absence of a representative a discussion took place commenting and praising the work that has been done during the Winter months by the Tuesday gang.

Any other Business

Yard Stick- The committee has agreed to change the way we play our Yardstick competition to make it more competitive, details to follow.

Shelly also suggested that we have a **SCROUNGERS** Competition, (an Australian version of the game) and maybe a curry social event alongside it. The idea was well supported in both cases.

Details to follow at the next committee meeting.

Fun day. – Denise has suggested that we do a **Sweets Tombola** as well as **A Barrel of Booze** on the day for our fundraising. Teresa to ask Ros for more details re the Tombola and ask her assistance in organising. Last year we did a plant stall which was successful and looked lovely, but we were left with a lot of plants at the end. Further discussion re the Fun Day and the members needed to run the day will be discussed at the next meeting.

A **club clean** to take place before we re-open, individual members will be approached to help with this.

Sponsorship, Teresa to formulate a letter to send out to local businesses to see if more sponsorship can be found.

Date of next meeting

10th April 2025 the Thursday following signing on Night.